

## Very Long Baseline Neutrino Oscillation Experiments

(eg. BNL - Homestake 2540 km)

### Outline

#### 1) The BNL Concept (Goal CP Violation & Much More)

$$i) \bar{\nu}_{\mu} \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_{\mu} \quad \& \quad \bar{\nu}_{\mu} \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e$$

ii) Very Large Detector (100-500 kton)

iii) Very Long Distance (1500-4000 km)

iv) Conventional Horn Focused  $\bar{\nu}_{\mu}$  Superbeam (1-2 MW AGS)

#### 2) Neutrino Physics Capabilities

$$\delta, \theta_{13}, \theta_{12}, \theta_{23}, \Delta m_{31}^2, \text{sgn } \Delta m_{31}^2, \Delta m_{21}^2, \text{"New Physics"}$$

(No 8 Fold Ambiguity!)

#### 3) Recent Developments

i) Workshops: BNL-UCLA, APS Superbeams

ii) National Underground Lab

#### 4) Concluding Comments

1) The BNL Concept (Goal CP Violation + Much More)

$$\begin{pmatrix} |\nu_e\rangle \\ |\nu_\mu\rangle \\ |\nu_\tau\rangle \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} c_{12}c_{13} & s_{12}c_{13} & s_{13}e^{-i\delta} \\ -s_{12}c_{23} - c_{12}s_{23}s_{13}e^{i\delta} & c_{12}c_{23} - s_{12}s_{23}s_{13}e^{i\delta} & s_{23}c_{13} \\ s_{12}s_{23} - c_{12}c_{23}s_{13}e^{i\delta} & -c_{12}s_{23} - s_{12}c_{23}s_{13}e^{i\delta} & c_{23}c_{13} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} |\nu_1\rangle \\ |\nu_2\rangle \\ |\nu_3\rangle \end{pmatrix}$$

$$c_{ij} = \cos \theta_{ij}, \quad s_{ij} = \sin \theta_{ij}, \quad 0 \leq \delta < 2\pi$$

$$|\Delta m_{31}^2| = |m_3^2 - m_1^2| \approx \underline{2.5 \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2} \quad (\text{Atmosphere})$$

$$\Delta m_{21}^2 = m_2^2 - m_1^2 \approx \underline{7.3 \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2} \quad (\text{solar + Kamland})$$

$$\underline{\sin^2 2\theta_{23} \approx 1} \quad \theta_{23} \approx 45^\circ$$

$$\underline{\sin^2 2\theta_{12} \approx 0.85} \quad \theta_{12} \approx 36^\circ$$

$$\underline{\sin^2 2\theta_{13} \lesssim 0.2}, \quad \underline{\delta = ?}, \quad \underline{\text{sgn } \Delta m_{31}^2 = ?}, \quad \underline{\text{New Physics?}}$$

Measure All Parameters Precisely!

Next Generation Reactors:  $P(\nu_e \rightarrow \nu_e) \approx 1 - \sin^2 2\theta_{13} \sin^2 \left( \frac{\Delta m_{31}^2 L}{4E\nu} \right)$   
(very clean)

$$\underline{0.01(?) \leq \sin^2 2\theta_{13} \leq 0.20} \quad (\text{Must Do})$$

Our Original Goal: Measure  $\delta$  in  $\left\{ \begin{matrix} \nu_\mu \\ \nu_e \end{matrix} \right\}$  Oscillations

Requires: Intense proton source 1~4 MW  
Large Detector 100-500 kton {proton decay class}  
Water, LArgon...

Disappearance:  $P(\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_\mu) \approx 1 - \sin^2 2\theta_{23} \sin^2 \left( \frac{\Delta m_{31}^2 L}{4E_\nu} \right)$

$\theta_{23}$ ,  $\frac{\pi}{2}$ - $\theta_{23}$  degeneracy

Appearance:  $P(\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e) = P_I(\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e) + P_{II}(\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e) + P_{III}(\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e) + \text{matter}$

$$P_I(\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e) = \sin^2 \theta_{23} \sin^2 2\theta_{13} \sin^2 \left( \frac{\Delta m_{31}^2 L}{4E_\nu} \right) + \underbrace{\text{matter effect}}_{\text{sgn } \Delta m_{31}^2}$$

$$P_{II}(\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e) = \frac{1}{2} \sin 2\theta_{23} \sin 2\theta_{12} \sin 2\theta_{13} \cos \theta_{13} \sin \left( \frac{\Delta m_{21}^2 L}{2E_\nu} \right) \times$$

$$\left\{ \sin \delta \sin^2 \frac{\Delta m_{31}^2 L}{4E_\nu} + \cos \delta \sin \frac{\Delta m_{31}^2 L}{4E_\nu} \cos \frac{\Delta m_{31}^2 L}{4E_\nu} \right\}$$

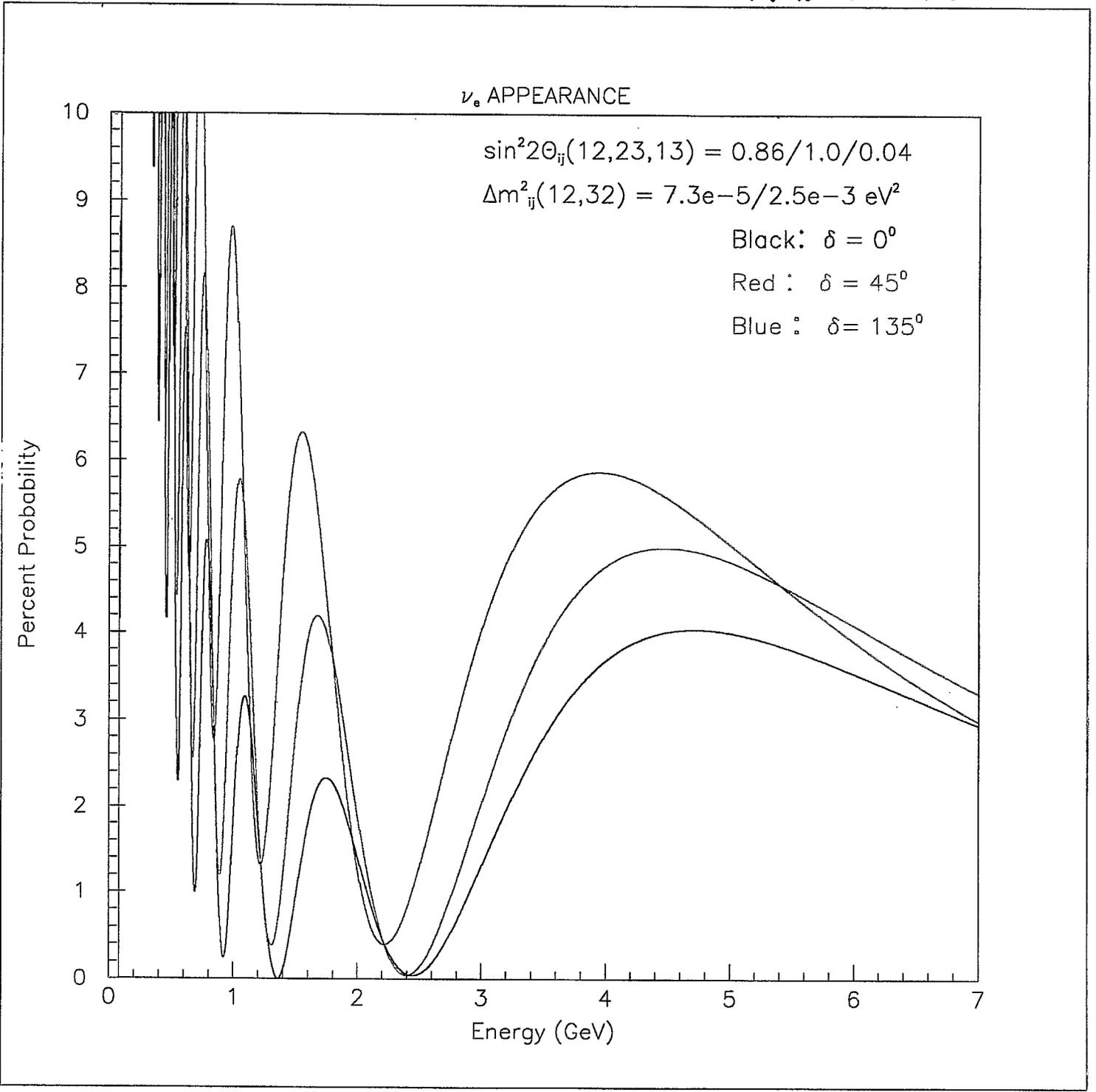
$$P_{III}(\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e) = \sin^2 2\theta_{12} \cos^2 \theta_{23} \cos^2 \theta_{13} \sin^2 \left( \frac{\Delta m_{21}^2 L}{4E_\nu} \right)$$

For  $P_I$  we want  $L/E_\nu \approx 500 \text{ km/GeV}$

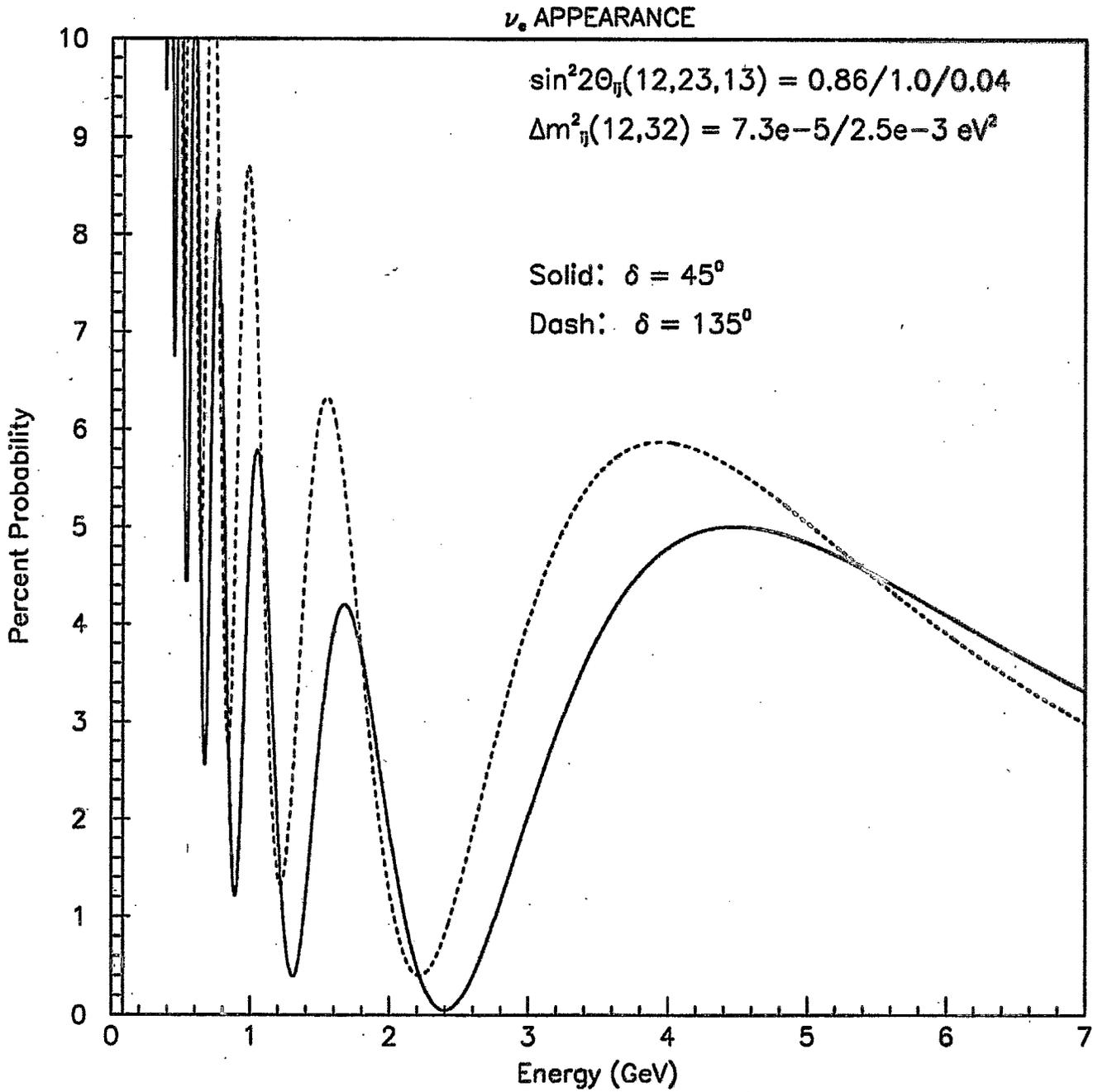
$P_{III}$  we want  $L/E \approx 15,000 \text{ km/GeV}$

$P_{II}$  interference  $\rightarrow \delta, \phi$

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Statistical ability to measure  $\delta$  is (roughly) independent of  $\theta_{13}$  value ( $\sin^2 2\theta_{13} \gtrsim 0.01$ ) and  $L/E$  ( $\gtrsim 500 \text{ km/GeV}$ )

Minimal Requirements  $\simeq$  100-500 Kton Detector (Acceptance?)  
1-2 MW proton source

ii) Detector 500 Kton  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  + very good  $\pi^0$  rejection  
 $\nu_e n \rightarrow \bar{e} p$  quasi-elastic  $\rightarrow E_\nu$   
 $\nu_e n \rightarrow \bar{e} p \pi$  ? ( $\simeq 3 \times$  rate of quasi el.)

100 Kton LArgon Better Acceptance

or Hybrid 250 Kton  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  + 50 Kton LAr {My Favorite}

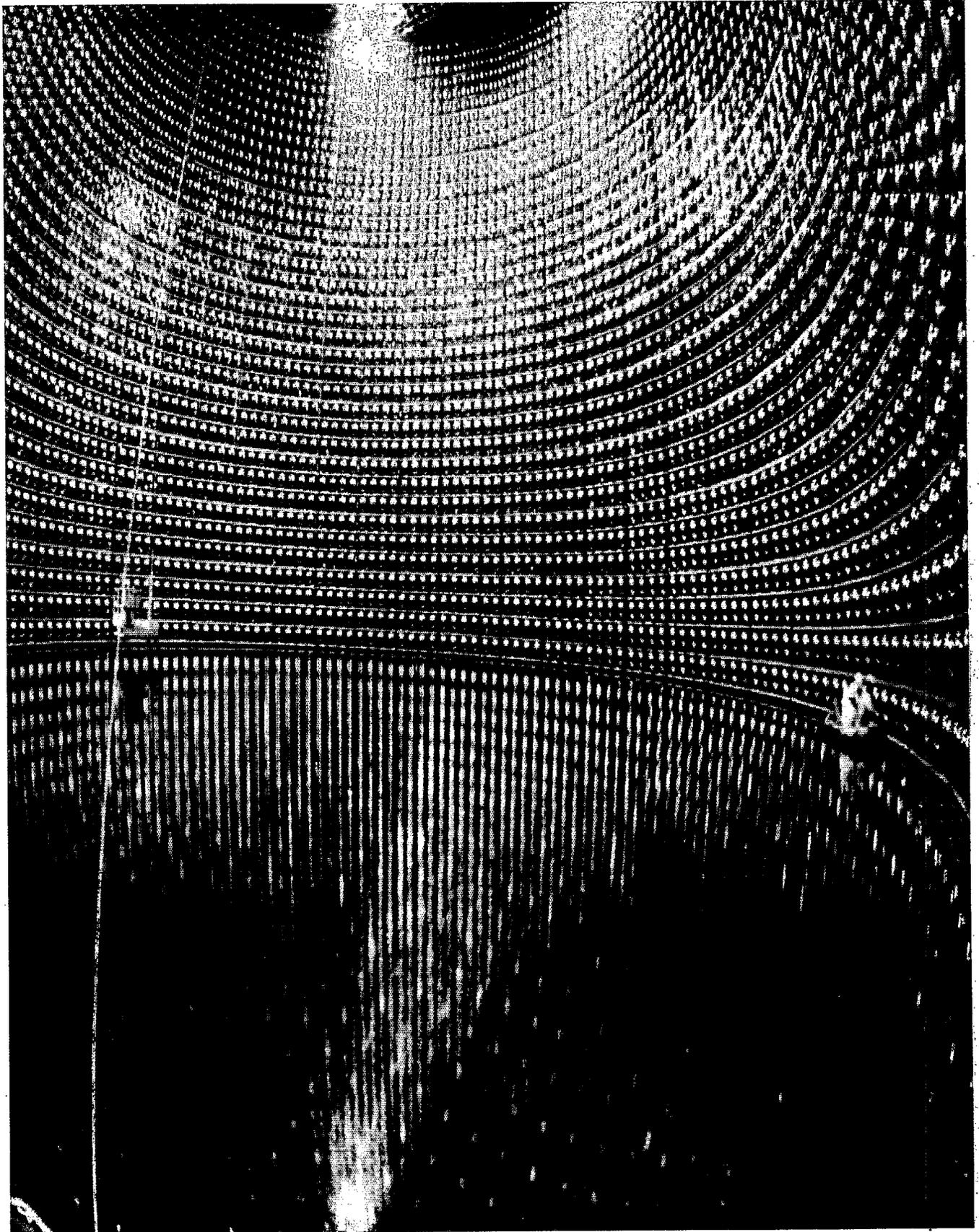
iii) Very Long Distance WBB  $0.5 \text{ GeV} \lesssim E_\nu \lesssim 5 \text{ GeV}$

Maximize  $\nu_\mu$  flux  $\rightarrow$  WBB, use it all!

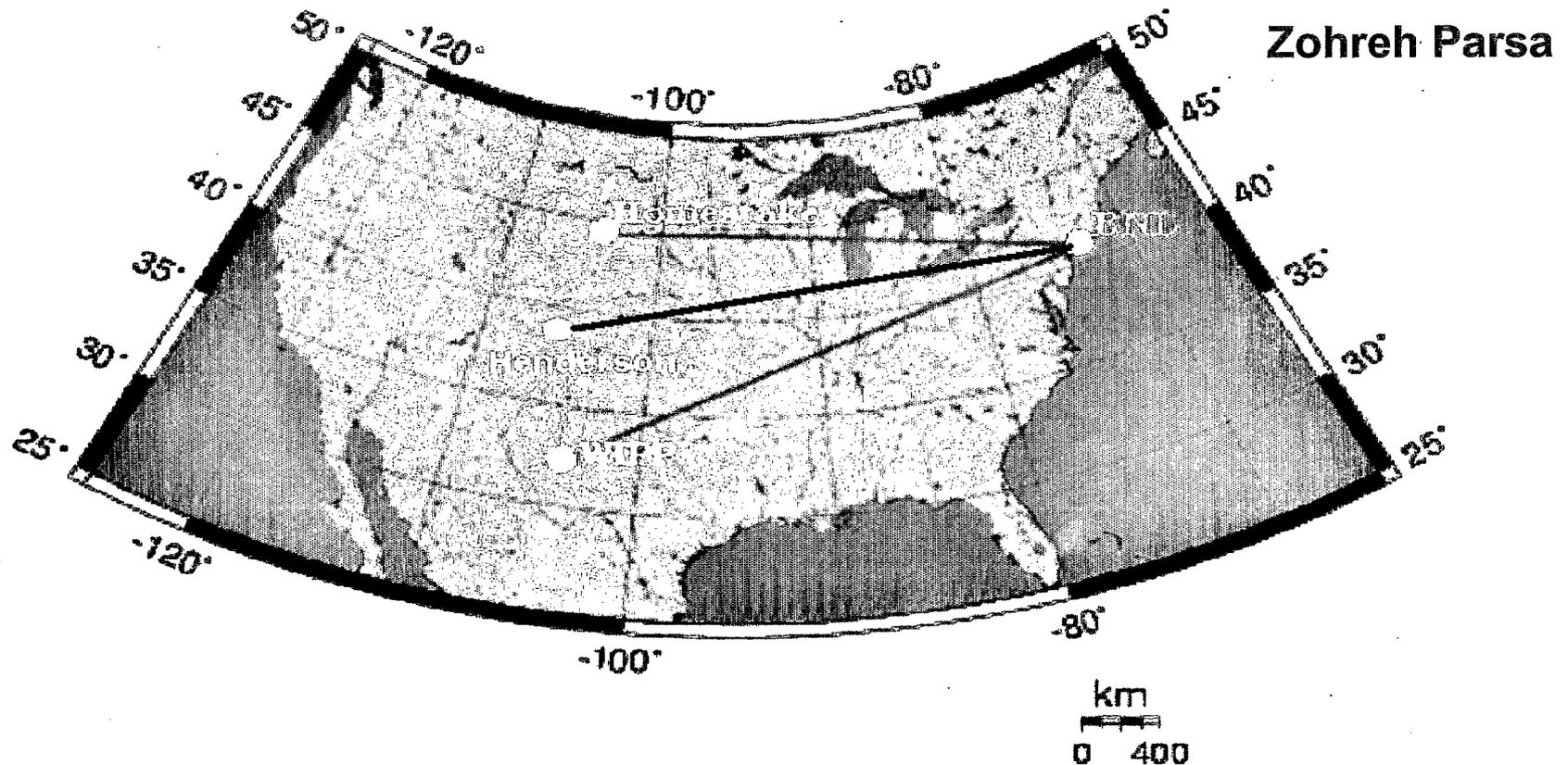
$L/E_\nu \gtrsim 500 \text{ km/GeV} \rightarrow L \simeq 2500 \text{ km}$

BNL - Homestake 2540 km (1500 - 4000 km okay)

iv) Superbeam 1-2 MW Proton Source  
Horn Focused (Conventional)  
On Axis ( $0^\circ$ )  $\rightarrow$  WBB  
Later Perhaps  $\rightarrow 1^\circ$  Off-Axis?



# BNL Intense Neutrino Beam → Homestake, WIPP, or Henderson



**AGS 28 GeV protons, 1 MW beam (power achievable) +  
500 kT Water Cerenkov detector, 5e7 sec of running,  
Conventional Horn based beam →**

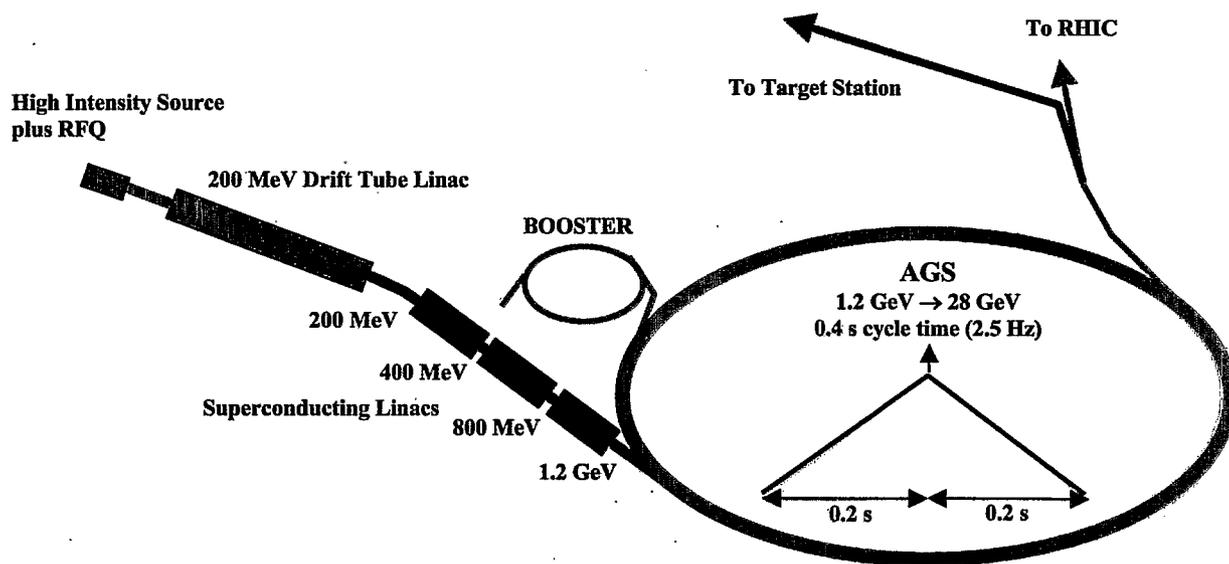
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Oscillations

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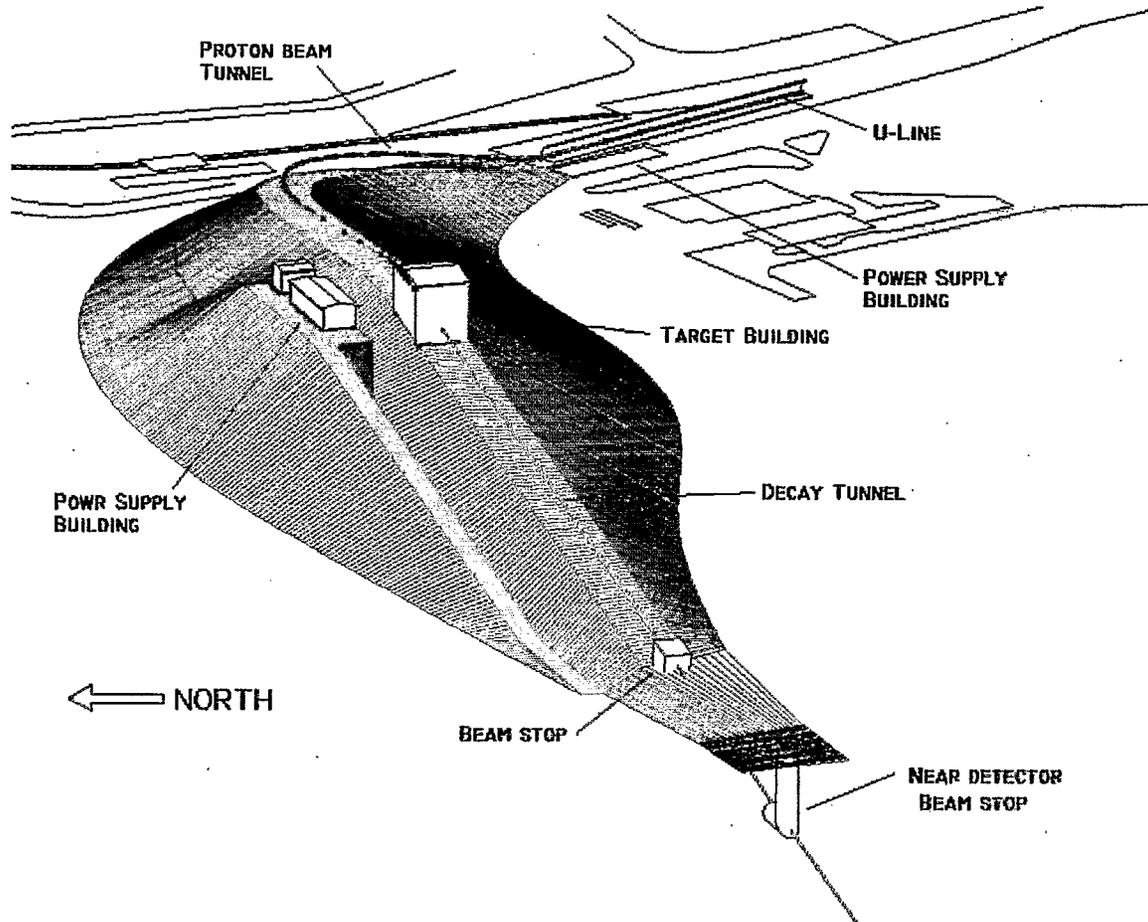
# The Accelerator

- Conceptually simple upgrade. No magic.
- Run 28 GeV AGS at 2.5 Hz to get 1 MW.
- Need faster proton source: Super Conducting LINAC at 1.2 GeV
- Current:  $7 \times 10^{13}$  *ppp* at 0.5 Hz => LINAC:  $10^{14}$  *ppp* at 2.5 Hz.



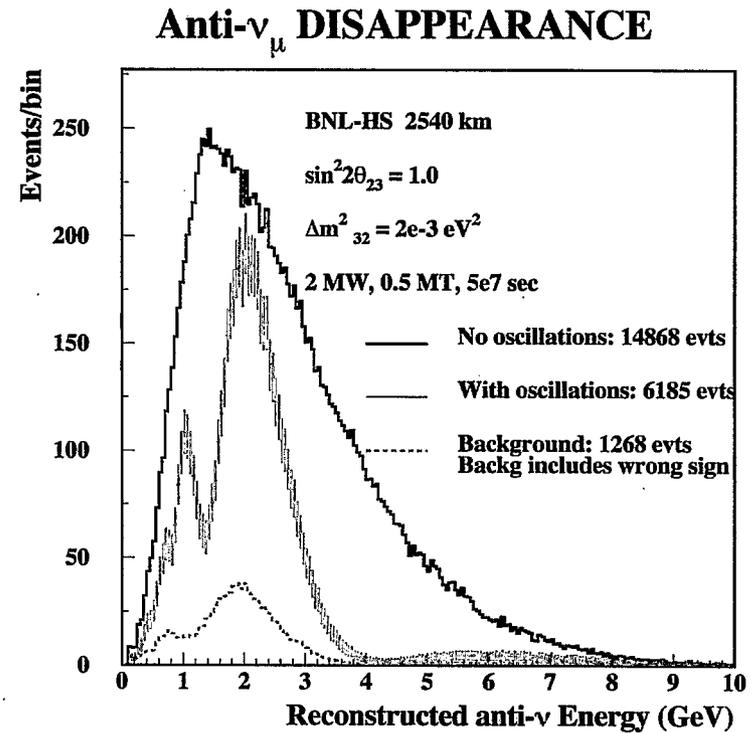
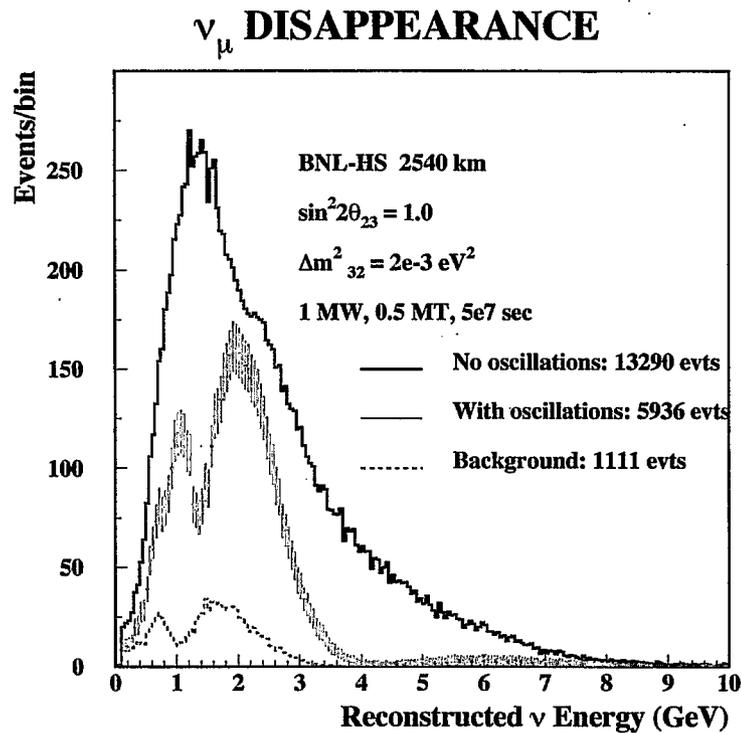
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# Beam 3d



## Some comments on detector

- Need much more manpower for detector studies.
- Water Cherenkov
  - 50 kT SuperK is existence proof.
  - Background rejection ? (Yanagisawa)  
need another  $\times 3 \rightarrow 5$
  - Additional imaging capability (Viren)
- Liquid Argon TPC
  - scale up to 100 kT module ?
  - Current size 300Ton.
  - Needs detailed simulations.
- Any other technology ?



Node pattern provides high  $\Delta m_{32}^2$  resolution. Energy calibration is very important.

Flux normalization not important for measurement of  $\sin^2 2\theta_{23}$

Minimum systematics in  $\nu_\mu$  and  $\bar{\nu}_\mu$  comparison

## Scenario No. 1 Wide band *(No Oscillations)*

$\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e$

1 MW, Neutrinos, 500 kT, L=2540km,  $5 \times 10^7$  sec

2 MW, Anti-Neutrinos, 500 kT, L=2540km,  $5 \times 10^7$  sec

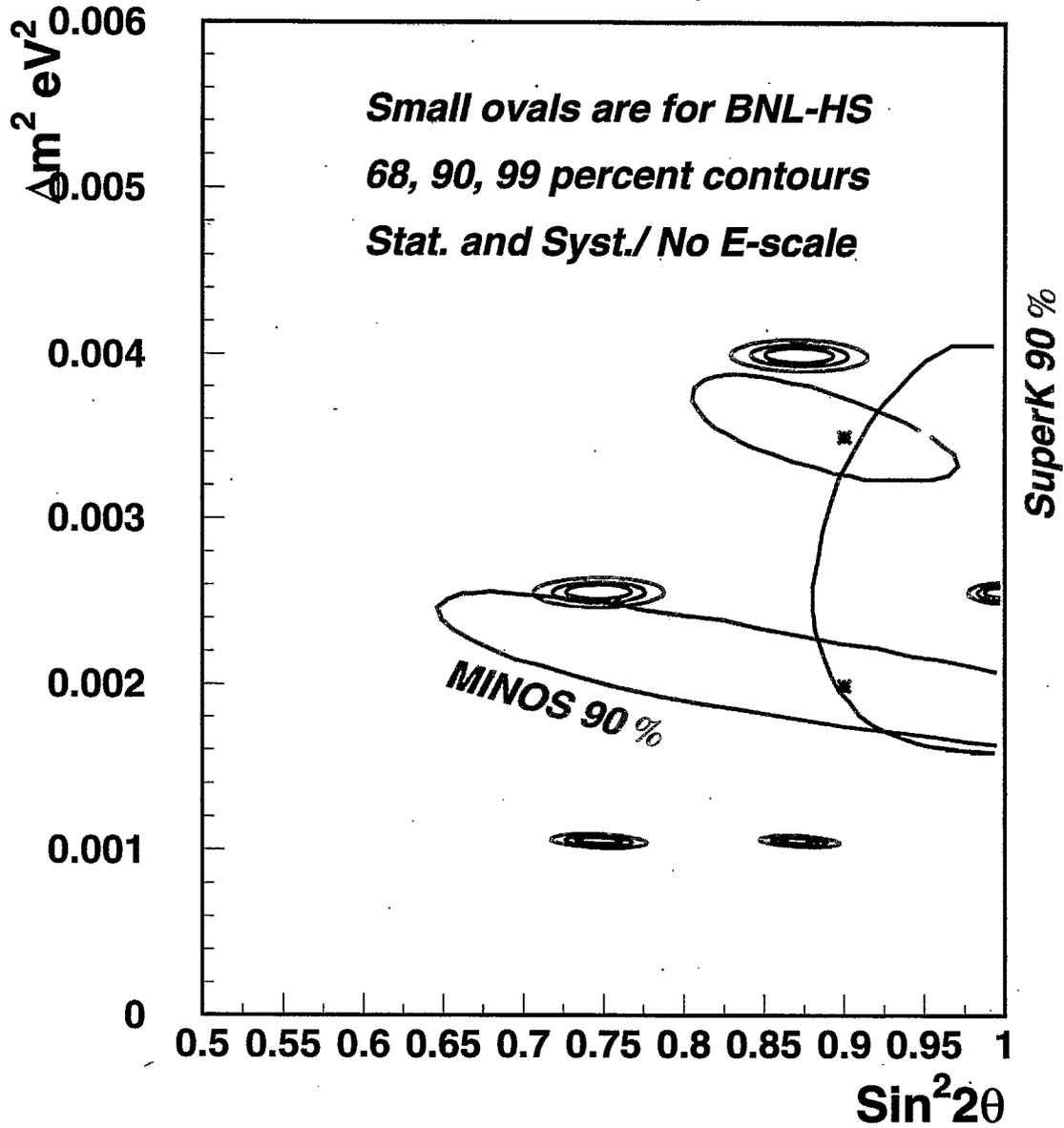
Strong Background Rejection.

CC $\nu_\mu N \rightarrow \mu^- X$	51800 (30050)	NC $\nu_\mu N \rightarrow \nu_\mu X$	18323 (11540)
CC $\nu_e N \rightarrow e^- X$	380 (106)		
QE $\nu_\mu n \rightarrow \mu^- p$	11767 (11868)	NC elastic	4575 (3882)
QE $\nu_e n \rightarrow e^- p$	84 (80)		
CC Single $\pi$	22053 (11872)	NC Single $\pi$	7741 (5074)
CC Two $\pi$	10143 (3336)	NC Two $\pi$	3557 (1630)
CC $> 2 \pi$	4882 (500)	NC $> 2 \pi$	1729 (560)
CC $\nu_\tau N \rightarrow \tau^- X$	$\sim 110$ (40)	(depends on $\Delta m^2$ )	

Anti-neutrino rate (brackets) for 2 MW.

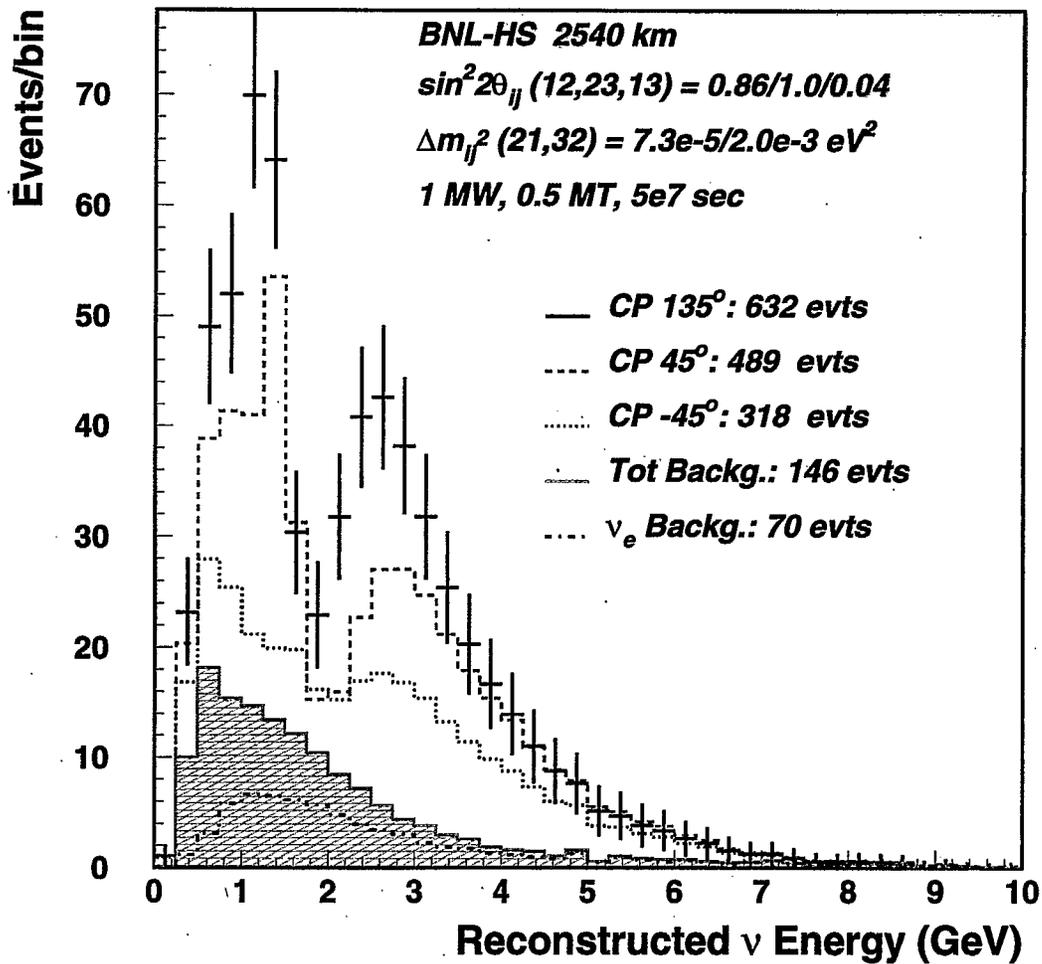
(Add Nu cont. to antinu rate: 7696 CC and 2600 NC. )

# Test points for $\nu_\mu$ disapp



# Measurement of $\sin^2 2\theta_{13}$

## $\nu_e$ APPEARANCE



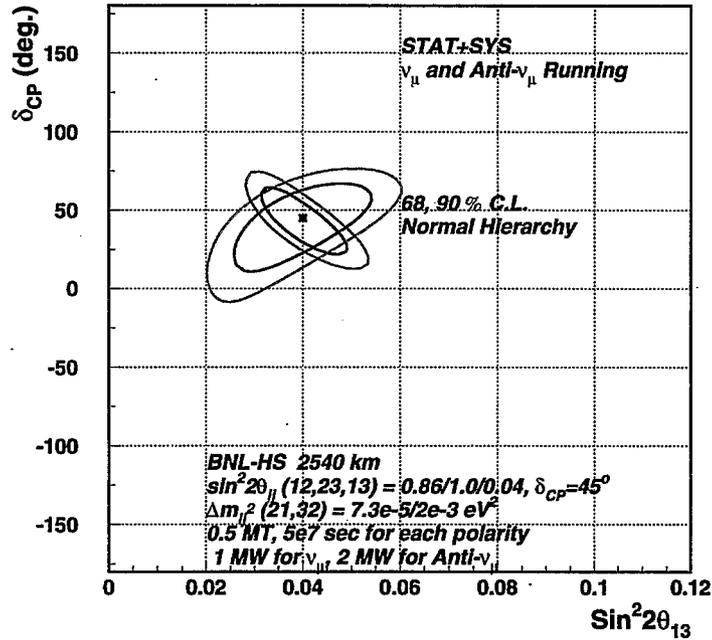
$$\Delta m_{32}^2 = 0.002 eV^2, \sin^2 2\theta_{13} = 0.04.$$

Assume normal mass hierarchy.  $m_3 > m_2 > m_1$

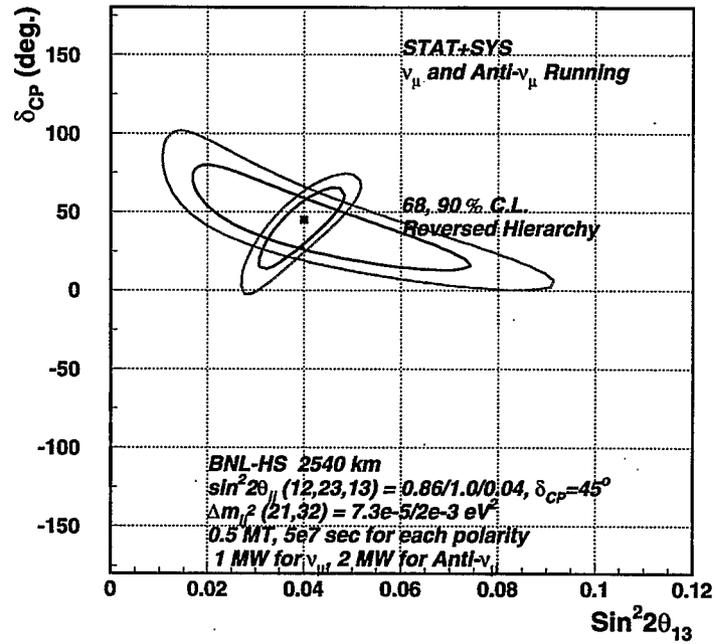
Matter effects included.

# CP with Neutrino and Antineutrino

Resolution  $\delta_{CP}$  vs  $\text{Sin}^2 2\theta_{13}$



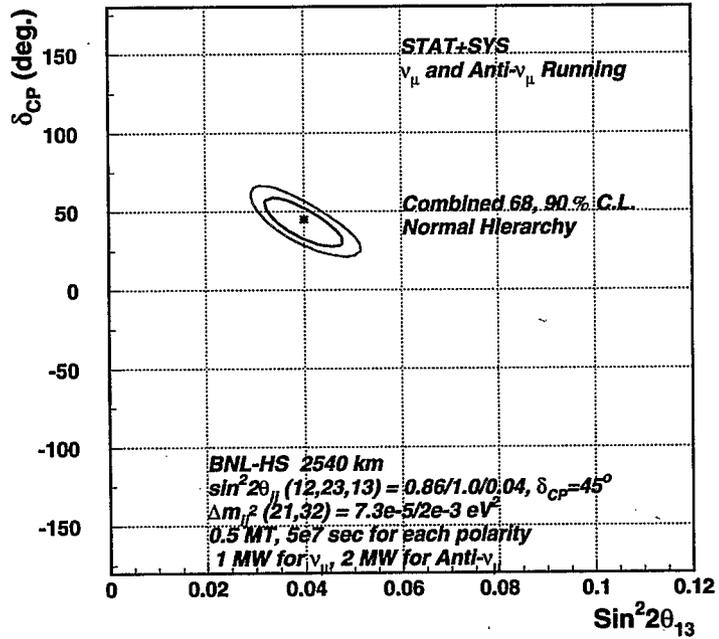
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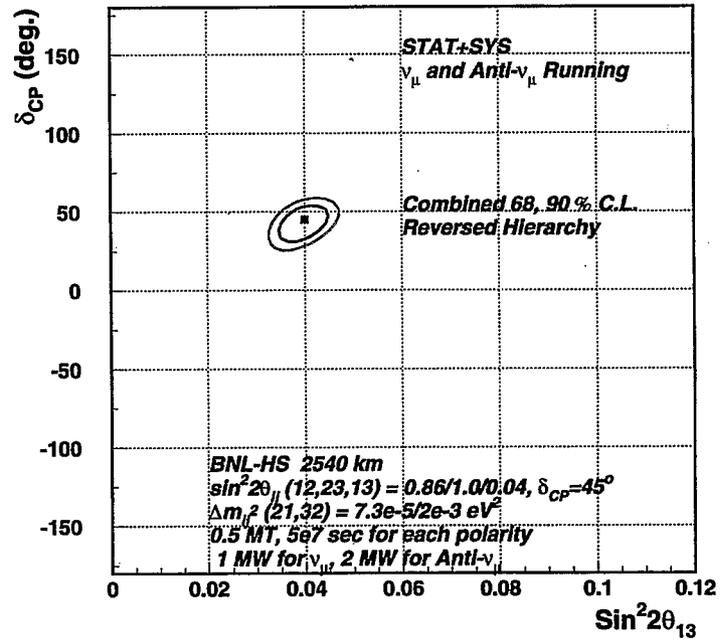
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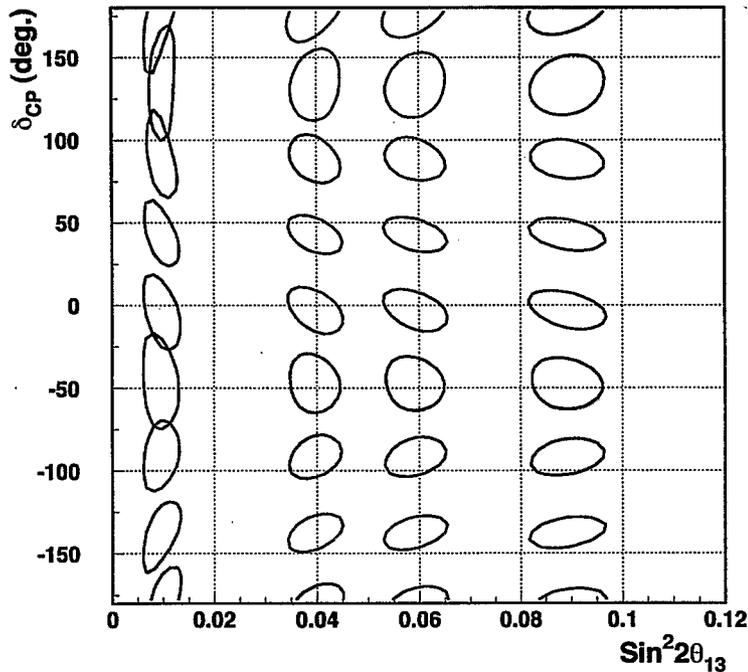


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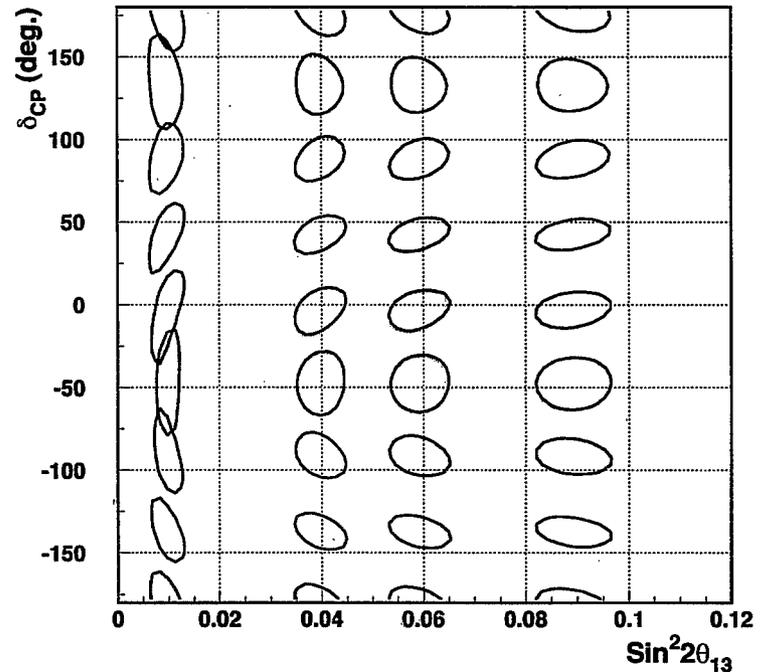
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# CP measurement after $\nu\bar{\nu}$ and anti- $\nu\bar{\nu}$

Regular hierarchy  $\nu\bar{\nu}$  and Anti $\nu\bar{\nu}$  running



Reversed hierarchy  $\nu\bar{\nu}$  and Anti $\nu\bar{\nu}$  running



Left: Regular mass hierarchy Right: reversed mass hierarchy.

Only the  $\theta_{23}$  ambiguity is left.

more about this later...

## 2) Neutrino Physics Capabilities

(Possible) Phase I: 1MW AGS  $\rightarrow$  WBB  $\nu_\mu$  only

$$T = 5 \times 10^7 \text{ sec}$$

500 kton  $H_2O$

Use only quasi-elastic  $\nu_\mu \rightarrow \ell p$

$$\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_\mu \rightarrow \text{3 peaks} \rightarrow \left. \begin{array}{l} \sin^2 2\theta_{23} \\ |\Delta m_{31}^2| \end{array} \right\} \text{to } \pm 1\%$$

$$\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e \rightarrow \begin{array}{ccc} P_I + \text{matter} & P_{II} & P_{III} \\ \hline 5-3 \text{ GeV} & 3-1 \text{ GeV} & 1-0.5 \text{ GeV} \end{array}$$

5-3 GeV  $\rightarrow$  Matter Effect  $\rightarrow$   $\sin \Delta m_{31}^2$  (easy)

$$\sin^2 \theta_{23} \sin^2 2\theta_{13} \lesssim 0.0025$$

$$3-1 \text{ GeV} \rightarrow \sin \delta + \cos \delta \quad \Delta \delta \approx \pm 20^\circ$$

$$1-0.5 \text{ GeV} \rightarrow \underbrace{\cos^2 \theta_{23}}_{\theta_{23} \approx \frac{\pi}{2} - \theta_{23} ?} \underbrace{\sin^2 2\theta_{12} \sin^2 \frac{\Delta m_{21}^2 L}{4E_\nu}}_{\text{KAMLAND}}$$

\* BNL + Reactors  $\rightarrow$  All  $\theta_{ij}, \delta, \Delta m_{ij}^2$  Precisely Determined  
No Degeneracy!

Anomalies  $\rightarrow$  "New Physics"

Sterile  $\nu$ , Extra Dim., Dark Energy? ...

Phase II AGS  $\rightarrow$  2MW Run  $\bar{\nu}_\mu$  for  $5 \times 10^7$  sec

### 3) Recent Developments

i) Workshops: BNL-UCLA 12/03 D. Clive & N. Samios  
Proton Decay & Neutrino Osc  
Gov. of S.D. Homestake Commitment  
LArgon looks impressive

APS Superbeam Working Group

w. Marciaro & D. Michael  
FNAL Meeting Jan 2004  
 $\pi^0$  rejection in  $H_2O$  questions raised  
Dark Energy Sensitivity? (Theory?)

BNL-UCLA & APS Joint Meeting  
at Brookhaven 3/04

\*  $\pi^0$  rejection in  $H_2O$  looks much better  
LArgon continues to be impressive

August 2004 APS Report

Dec. 2004 BNL-UCLA Meeting at UCLA

#### ii) National Underground Lab

NSF Call for proposals

We will propose: Neutrino Osc & Proton Decay Detector

$L \approx 1500 \sim 4000$  km Site Independent

BNL - Homestake or Henderson Site Specific

#### 4.) Concluding Comments

BNL Initiative - Bold, Doable 50yrs of Physics!  
(Great Investment)

Determine 3ger. osc. parameters precisely!

Find Leptonic CP Violation!

Search for New Physics - Sterile, Extra Dim.  
Dark Energy...

+

Proton Decay  $\tau(p \rightarrow e^+ \pi^0) \rightarrow 10^{36}$  yr!

Supernova  $\nu$ ' (Relic & Recent)

Atm.  $\nu$  Precision

Surprises eg Magnetic Monopole

} outstanding

Detector + AGS Upgrade  $\approx$  \$1 x 10<sup>9</sup> (doable)

USA is large (unique?)

Needs stimulating & challenging scientific projects

Must Do